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In re Application of  
P. Read Montague et al.  
Application No. 09/809,481  
Filed: March 15, 2001  
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR LINKED  
COMMUNICATION BETWEEN CLIENT STATIONS  
Attorney Docket No. HO-P01963 US1  
Pub. Date: November 11, 2001

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: DECISION ON  
: PETITION UNDER  
: 37 CFR § 1.182  
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This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 filed July 3, 2001, requesting that replacement drawing sheets 1-10 be included in the patent application publication.

The petition is DISMISSED AS MOOT.

On March 15, 2001, the application was filed claiming the benefit of provisional application 60/189,567, filed on March 15, 2000.

On July 3, 2001, the petition under 37 CFR 1.182 requesting that replacement drawings sheets 1-10 be included in the patent application publication was filed.

On November 11, 2001, Patent Application Publication US 2001/0037365 A1 was published.

The drawing sheets were not received within the later of one month from the filing date of the application or fourteen months from the earliest filing date for which a benefit is sought under title 35, United States Code.<sup>1</sup> While replacement drawings that are received later than this date may be included in the patent application publication, the drawings were not able to be used in the patent application publication. Since the patent application publication has already published as US 2001/0037365 A1, the petition is dismissed as moot.

The application is being forwarded to Technology Center 2100 to await further examination in due course.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to Mark O. Polutta at (703) 308-8122.

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<sup>1</sup>Drawings in Patent Application Publications and Patents, 1242 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office Notices 114 (Jan.16, 2001).



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LINKED COMMUNICATION )  
BETWEEN CLIENT STATIONS )

This is a decision on the "Petition for Replacement Drawings for Inclusion in Patent Application For Publication" (filed July 3, 2001), filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.182.

The petition is accompanied by 10 sheets of replacement drawings. However, the present patent application has already published as Pre-Grant Publication US2001/0037365 A1 on November 11, 2001.

Accordingly, the petition is MOOT.

[ If the petitioner desires further review of this Decision, applicant should consider filing a Request for Reconsideration within 2 months of the mailing date of this Decision. ] needed?

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Should P be added about  
having examiner consider  
corrected drawing when  
examining the case?